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SUBJECT: SWEDISH MAGAZINE SPECULATES ON ROLE OF CIA REPORT
IN SWEDISH- AMERICAN RELATIONS

SUMMARY . VECKO- JOURNALEN ISSUE OF MAY 23 CONTAINS REPORT
ON STATUS OF SWEDISH AMERICAN RELATIONS AND ON ROLE OF AN
ALLEGED CIA FILE ON PRIME MINISTER PALME IN WHASHINGTON
DECISION- MAKING ON THE SUBJECT. V. J. 'S " REVELATIONS"
ABOUT STATUS OF RELATIONS IS GENERALLY A REHASH OF PRE-
VIOUS PRESS STORIES BUT CONCLUDES THAT THERE MAY BE NO
UPTURN IN RELATIONS AS LONG AS PRESENT HEADS OF GOVERN-
MENT IN BOTH COUNTRIES STILL IN OFFICE. ACCORDING V. J.,
CIA " FILE" CONTAINS PSYCHOLOGICAL STUDY OF PALME.
V. J. ACKNOWLEDGES IMPOSSIBILITY OF DETERMINING EXACT
CONTENTS OF FILE AND APPARENTLY DREW CONCLUSION THAT SUCH
A FILE EXISTS FROM OFFICIAL COMMENTS MADE IN CONNECTION
WITH DANIEL ELLSBERG CASE THAT SUCH STUDIES ARE DONE ON FOREIGN
LEADERS. V. J., DRAWING FROM WELL KNOWN FACTS OF PALME'S LIFE AND
PERSONALITY, THEN GAVE RUNDOWN OF WHAT SUCH A REPORT WOULD
LIKELY CONTAIN. END SUMMARY.

1. STIGH KAMPH, IN MAY 23 ISSUE OF VECKO- JOURNALEN
(MODERATE TO CONSERVATIVE WEEKLY NEWS- PHOTO MAG), REPORTS
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FROM WASHINGTON ON PRESENT " ALMOST HOPELESS" STATE OF SWEDISH- AMERICAN RELATIONS. DRAWING ON PREVIOUS PRESS SPECULATIONS AND A SERIES OF INTENSIVE INTERVIEWS WITH LEADING DIPLOMATS-- AMERICANS, SWEDES AND NEUTRALS (*) , KAMPH CONCLUDES THAT THERE NOW SEEMS " GREAT PROBABILITY" THAT RELATIONS WILL NOT BE NORMALIZED AS LONG AS CURRENT HEADS OF GOVERNMENT REMAIN IN POWER IN BOTH COUNTRIES. KAMPH DRAWS CONCLUSION THAT " SILENT DIPLOMACY AND BEHIND- THE- SCENES CONTACTS THIS SPRING" COLLAPSED WITH FOREIGN MINISTER WICKMAN' S MAY DAY SPEECH (IGNORING WICKMAN' S CAMBODIAN STATEMENT WEEK BEFORE AND PALME' S STATEMENTS IN RIKSDAY FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEBATE MONTH BEFORE THAT).

2. KAMPH CONCLUDES THAT WASHINGTON POLICY FORMULATION ON SWEDISH- AMERICAN RELATIONS HAS BEEN GUIDED TO A LARGE EXTENT BY A SECRET CIA " PALME FILE." KAMPH ADMITS HE HAS EXPECTEDLY NOT BEEN ABLE TO FIND OUT ANYTHING ABOUT EXACT CONTENTS OF FILE BUT CONCLUDES THAT IT CONTAINS A PSYCHOLOGICAL STUDY OF OLOF PALME BROUGHT TOGETHER BY CIA " DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS." WITH REFERENCE TO WORLD WAR II PSYCHOLOGICAL STUDIES ON HITLER AND TO RECENTLY REVEALED STUDY ON DANIEL ELLSBERG, KAMPH RUNS DOWN WELL KNOWN INFORMATION ON PALME' S LIFE AND PERSONALITY TO SHOW WHAT THE " PALME FILE" PROBABLY CONTAINS.

3. IN REMAINDER OF ARTICLE (BEING AIRPOUCHED TO EUR/ NE) KAMPH RUNS OVER NOW FAMILIAR GROUND AND SPECULATIONS ON US/ SWEDISH RELATIONS. HE NOTES THAT " THE AMERICANS ARE VERY ANXIOUS NOT RPT NOT TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY ARE AFFECTED IN ANY WAY BY THE SWEDISH ELECTION CAMPAIGN," SINCE " THEY FEEL THERE IS GOOD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS WOULD QUICKLY EXPLOIT ANY SMALL HINT OF AN AMERICAN INTER- VENTION." DOZIER

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